Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-3, 5-7, 10-18, 20-26 and 28-32, pending in this application, are reproduced as follows:

1	1. (previ	ously presented) A communication system comprising:
2	an IP-enabled communication network;	
3	at least one remote site connected to the communication network, the	
. 4	remote site comprising:	
5	(a)	a plurality of subscribers,
6	(b)	a switch interconnecting the plurality of subscribers,
7	(c)	at least one multi-line hunt group connected to the
8		switch, each multi-line hunt group comprising a
9		plurality of voice communication lines and at least one
10		signaling line carrying signaling data, and
11	(d)	a gateway receiving the plurality of voice
12		communication lines and the at least one signaling line
13		for each multi-line hunt group, the gateway interfacing
14		each multi-line hunt group and the communication
15		network; and
16	at least one service site connected to the communication network, the	
17	service site comprising:	
18	(e)	a service platform providing voice services;
19	(f)	a switch connected to the service platform;
20	(g)	at least one multi-line hunt group connected to the
21		switch, and
22	(h)	a gateway interfacing each multi-line hunt group and
23		the communication network.
1	2. (origin	al) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein the
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_	service platform comprises a voicemail platform.	

1	3.	(original) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein the	
2	service platform comprises a unified messaging platform.		
1	4.	(canceled)	
1	5.	(original) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein the	
2	communication network carries voice over IP (VoIP).		
1 2	6. communication net	(original) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein the work carries voice over frame relay (VoFR).	
1	7.	(original) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein the	
2	communication net	work carries voice over ATM (VoATM).	
1	8.	(canceled)	
1	9.	(canceled)	
1	10.	(previously presented) A communication system as in claim	
2	1 wherein each gateway converts voice received over communication lines and the		
3	signaling data received over each signaling line into a data format acceptable by the		
4	communication netv	work.	
1	11.	(previously presented) A communication system as in claim	
2	1 wherein each gate	way converts line signaling protocols into a format acceptable by	
3	the communication network and passes the converted line signaling protocols to at		
4	least one service site		

1	12. (previously presented) A communication system as in claim		
2	1 wherein each gateway implements a tunneling scheme with at least one gateway at		
3	a different site to exchange the signaling data.		
1	13. (original) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein each		
2	gateway compresses and decompresses voice information for reduced communication		
3	network bandwidth.		
1	14. (original) A communication system as in claim 1 wherein each		
2	gateway performs DS-0 mapping to map individual hunt group members across the		
3	communication network.		
1	15. (previously presented) A communication system for		
2	transmitting audible messages over an IP-enabled communication network		
3	comprising:		
4	a locality of subscriber units;		
5	a switch interconnecting the subscriber units, the switch routing traffic		
6	outside of the locality of subscriber units over at least one multi-line hunt group, each		
7	multi-line hunt group including a plurality of voice communication lines and at least		
8	one signaling line carrying signaling data associated with calls through the plurality		
9	of voice communication lines; and		
10	a gateway in communication with each multi-line hunt group and the		
11	communication network, the gateway converting voice information received over		
12	each communication line and signaling data received over each signaling line into a		
13	data format acceptable by the communication network.		
1	16. (original) A communication system as in claim 15 wherein the		
2	gateway formats data for voice over IP (VoIP).		

1	17. (original) A communication system as in claim 15 wherein the	
2	gateway formats data for voice over frame relay network (VoFR).	
1	18. (original) A communication system as in claim 15 wherein the	
2	gateway formats data for voice over ATM (VoATM).	
1	19. (canceled)	
1	20. (original) A communication system as in claim 15 wherein the	
2	gateway implements a tunneling scheme with at least one gateway at a different site	
3	to exchange signaling data.	
1	21. (original) A communication system as in claim 15 wherein the	
2	gateway compresses and decompresses voice information for reduced communication	
3	network bandwidth.	
1	22. (original) A communication system as in claim 15 wherein the	
2	gateway performs DS-0 mapping to map individual hunt group members across the	
3	communication network.	
1	23. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled	
2	communication network comprising:	
3	receiving information from at least one of a plurality of subscribers;	
4	determining at least one of a plurality of voice communication line	
5	and at least one signaling line in a multi-line hunt group to carry the received	
6	information and associated signaling;	
7	formatting information on each of the voice communication lines and	
8	signaling lines into a format compatible with the communication network; and	
9	sending the formatted information over the communication network.	

1	24. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled		
2	communication network as in claim 23 further comprising:		
3	receiving the formatted information over the communication network;		
4	reformatting the converted information back into the original format		
5	for transmission over at least one of a plurality of voice communication lines and at		
6	least one signaling line in a multi-line hunt group; and		
7	sending the reformatted information over a multi-line hunt group.		
1	25. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled		
2	communication network as in claim 23 wherein the reformatted information is sent		
3	to a service platform comprising a voicemail platform.		
1	26. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled		
2	communication network as in claim 23 wherein the reformatted information is sent		
3	to a service platform comprising a unified messaging platform.		
1	27. (canceled)		
1	28. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled		
2	communication network as in claim 23 wherein the communication network carries		
3	voice over IP (VoIP).		
l	29. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled		
2	communication network as in claim 23 wherein the communication network carries		
3	voice over frame relay (VoFR).		
l	30. (original) A method of communicating over an IP-enabled		
2	communication network as in claim 23 wherein the communication network carries		
3	voice over ATM (VoATM).		

(previously presented) A communication system comprising:

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2	an IP-enabled	d communication network;
3	at least one re	emote site connected to the communication network, the
4	remote site comprising:	
5	(a)	a plurality of subscribers,
6	(b)	a switch interconnecting the plurality of subscribers,
7.	(c)	at least one multi-line hunt group connected to the
8		switch, each multi-line hunt group comprising a
9		plurality of voice communication lines and at least one
10		signaling line carrying signaling data, and
11	(d)	at least one wide area network access device
12		interfacing each multi-line hunt group and the
13		communication network; and
14	at least one se	ervice site connected to the communication network, the
15	service site comprising:	
16	(e)	a service platform providing voice services;
17	(f)	a switch connected to the service platform;
18	(g)	at least one multi-line hunt group connected to the
1 9		switch, and
20	(h)	at least one wide area network access device
21		interfacing each multi-line hunt group and the
22		communication network.
1	32. (previous	ly presented) A communication system for transmitting
2	audible messages over an IP	-enabled communication network comprising:
3	a locality of s	ubscriber units;
4	a switch interc	connecting the subscriber units, the switch routing traffic
5	outside of the locality of subscriber units over at least one multi-line hunt group, each	
6	multi-line hunt group including a plurality of voice communication lines and at least	
7	one signaling line carrying s	ignaling data; and

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at least one wide area network access device in communication with
each multi-line hunt group and the communication network, the wide area network
access device converting voice information received over each communication line
and signaling data received over each signaling line into a data format acceptable by
the communication network